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JAMES WEST
STATE PRESIDENT

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Mrs. Manley, Owner
Newark Eagles Baseball Club
71 Crawford Street
Newark, N.J.

Dear Mrs. Crawford,

It has come to our attention that you are performing a very fine, patriotic activity in sponsoring, at your own cost, a bus load of Negro talent to Fort Dix at regular intervals to entertain the boys in uniform. Although we have limited funds and are engaged in many patriotic activities ourselves, we nonetheless feel impelled to lend you some support, little as it may be, to your excellent work. We are enclosing \$5 for this purpose.

May we salute you as a fine American, as a credit to the great Negro people; as an outstanding example of American women's leadership in general and of Negro women's leadership in particular!

Allow me, too, to express our best wishes to you, to the Newark Eagles and to Leon Day and Willy Wells, both of whom, we are confident, will make good in the majors.

Yours sincerely,

James West
James West,
President, New Jersey
Young Communist League

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"The Young Communist League unhesitatingly pledges its patriotic loyalty, its ceaseless and devoted labor, the energies and resources of its entire organization, the life of its members to the service of our country until final and irrevocable victory is won." (from Statement of National Committee)